IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9 at line 7 and ending on page 9 at line 13 with the following marked-up paragraph:

A home page of the video game supplier is opened in the content providing apparatus 4. For example, the home page posts questionnaires to users, and advertisements of new products. As shown in FIG. 5, ~~The~~ the content providing apparatus 4 includes a memory for storing a variety of statuses of the multi-function mobile telephones by an ID (Identification) code, and the progress of current game playing. For example, the statuses of the multi-function mobile telephones include "a questionnaire on a home page replied," "a predetermined advertisement viewed," "a game fee paid."

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11 at line 12 and ending on page 11 at line 18 with the following marked-up paragraph:

While the video gaming machine 5 is connected, the DNS server in the NOC 25 monitors the connection relationship (sessions such as a http (Hypertext Transport Protocol) session) of the video gaming machine 5 with another computer over the Internet. When the DNS server detects that the video gaming machine 5 has been connected to a registered (authorized) Web server (such as the content providing apparatus 4), the DNS server notifies the content providing apparatus 4 of the ID code corresponding to the video gaming machine 5. FIG. 6 illustrates a notifying unit of the relay apparatus which notifies the content providing apparatus 4 as explained herein.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12 at line 15 and ending on page 12 at line 18 with the following marked-up paragraph:

When the user accesses the content providing apparatus 4 using the video gaming machine 5 to enjoy game playing at home, the content providing apparatus 4 provides a game content to the video gaming machine 5 in response. FIG. 5 illustrates a content providing unit of the content providing apparatus 4 that provides the game content as described above. For example, the game is the one for growing a character such as a virtual living thing or a virtual pet.

And please replace the paragraph beginning on page 14 at line 4 and ending on page 14 at line 15 with the following marked-up paragraph:

When the video gaming machine 5 connected to the multi-function mobile telephone 2 accesses the content providing apparatus 4 through the Internet 20, the content providing apparatus 4 identifies the multi-function mobile telephone 2 in accordance with the ID code of the multi-function mobile telephone 2 converted by the DNS server of the NOC 25. FIG. 5 illustrates an identifying unit of the content providing apparatus 4 which identifies the multi-function mobile telephone 2 as described above. This arrangement frees the video gaming machine 5 from an operation to input an ID number and a password during accessing. As a result, the video gaming machine 5 may receive the content in the same manner as in an operation in which the multi-function mobile telephone 2 as a standalone unit accesses the content providing apparatus 4. Since the multi-function mobile telephone 2 does not send the telephone number thereof to the content providing apparatus 4, the privacy of the owner of the multi-function mobile telephone 2 is protected. Security over the Internet 20 is thus assured.